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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the outstanding

Communication dated July 19, 1999, be extended for a period of <u>2</u> month(s) from <u>August 19, 1999</u> to and including <u>October 19, 1999</u>.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$190. Please charge the required fee to

Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed,

Respectfully submitted,

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